Notification dated 10th August 1910.

It is hereby notified for general information that the right of felling and removal of casuarina fuel in the undermentioned plantations of the Tumkur District, during 1910-11; will be sold by public auction by the District Forest Officer, Tumkur, at 2 P.M. on the afternoon of 19th September 1910 in the District Forest Office, Tumkur. The sale will be subject to the confirmation of the Conservator of Forests.

Serial No.	Name of plantation	Approximate quantity of casuarina fuel available
1	Adagur	500 tons.
2	Channasettihalli	
3	Honnavalli	
4	Nitgunta	
5	Ammangatta	
6	Gorvipura	
7	Uddihoskere	
8	Ankapur	
9	Marasettihalli	
10	Harenahalli	
11	Lingenahalli	200 tons.
12	Ballapur	
13	Gollahalli	
14	Mallasandra	
15	Dasarahalli	
16	Panditanahalli	

Conditions.

The successful contractor will be required to execute a bond on stamped paper to act up to the conditions noted below, within one week from the date of acceptance of his tender, and Rs. 200 will be deposited in favor of the District Forest Officer as earnest money for the due fulfilment of the agreement, in Government Savings Bank:—

(*a*) The trees for felling will be dead and dry casuarina trees, previously marked by the Ranger in selected compartments only, and the felling undertaken compartment by compartment in a methodical manner.

(*b*) No axe should be used for felling but the trees sawn off as near to the ground as possible, and the fuel billets will be sawn to the required lengths, not exceeding three feet in length.

(*c*) The fuel will be carefully assorted and stacked separately on compartment lines or places approved by the District Forest Officer. The stacks should be rectangular in shape and built of such dimensions that the cubic contents thereof is 68 c. ft. or its multiple.

(*d*) The contractor is bound to remove at the accepted rates all fuel pieces over $1\frac{1}{2}$" in thickness, and smaller-sized fuel will also be sold to him if required at annas 8 a cart-load or retained for local consumption. Measurement of the stacks will be taken after all the available dry casuarina trees in the plantation shall have been felled, billeted, and stacked. No felling, billeting or stacking is allowed after such measurement.

(*e*) Payments must be made for all wood before removal at the accepted rates, and all wood will be covered by passports issued by the Range Officer before its removal from the plantation.

(*f*) No fuel should be carted out between sunset and sunrise.

(*g*) All felling and carting should be completed before the end of June 1911.

(*h*) Great care should be taken to prevent any injury to sandal or any other surrounding trees while felling the marked-out casuarina. Any injury caused to the surrounding growth willingly or negligently by the contractor or his men, will render the contractor liable to pay up such damage as may be decided upon by the District Forest Officer.

(*i*) Under no circumstances should fire be lit in the plantations.

(*j*) The contractor should report to the Range Officer from time to time the number of wagon-loads of fuel he removes by rail, the place of their destination and the weight of the wagon-loads.

(*k*) The breaking of any of these conditions on the part of the contractor or his men will lead to the forfeiture of the earnest money and cancelment of the contract, under Section 84 of the Forest Regulation, XI of 1900, and all wood paid for but unremoved will lapse to Government.

(*l*) During the period of this contract, the contractor shall not deal in any other casuarina fuel within the Tumkur District.

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